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Response Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed February 4, 2003, please enter and consider the following remarks.

REMARKS

No claims have been amended, no claims have been canceled, and no new claims have been added. Claims 1-27 are therefore pending.

The Office Action dated February 4, 2003 rejects claims 1-27 as being unpatentable over Merriman (U.S. patent no. 5,948,061) in view of Gerace (U.S. patent no. 5,848,396). However, Applicants assert that the Office Action is moot in view of the Request for Suspension of Examination filed by Applicants on January 10, 2003.

Applicants filed a Request for Suspension of Examination on January 10, 2003. A copy of the papers submitted on January 10, 2003 (minus the Credit Card Payment Form, three pages),